

Page 71, line 9, change "increase" to --increased--.

Page 80, line 9, after "ball" (second occurrence) insert --when a 5-iron is used--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 23 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 7 - 10, 15 and 20 - 22 as follows:

Claim 7, line 1, change "1" to --5--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "4" to --5--.

Claim 9, line 1, change "1" to --5-- and change "ionomer" to --ionomeric--.

Claim 10, line 1, change "1" to --5-- and change "ionomer" to --ionomeric--.

Claim 15, line 3, change "or" to --and--.

Claim 20, line 1, change "19" to --38--.

Claim 21, line 1, change "19" to --38--.

Claim 22, line 1, change "19" to --38-- and change "ionomer" to --ionomeric--.

Please add new claim 38 as follows:

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--38. A golf ball according to claim 19, wherein the outer cover layer comprises an ionomeric resin, more than 75 wt % of the ionomeric resin consisting of one or more copolymers, each of which is formed from (a) an olefin having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, (b) an unsaturated monomer of the acrylate ester class having from 1 to 21 carbon atoms, and (c) an acid which includes at least one member selected from the group consisting of α , β -ethylenically unsaturated mono- or dicarboxylic acids with a portion of the acid being neutralized with cations.